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SHOW US THE WAY TO GO HOME!

Student nurses move into their new home; the luxurious new BCC Nursing Center. After years of planning the new center, with dormitories, labs, and class rooms, was finally opened this September. (L. to r.) Rosemary Coyne, Christine Armstrong, Barbara Feit, Mrs. G. Feit, (parent), Miss Robinson, (an information desk employee), Carol Bing, Mrs. C. Washington, (parent).

New nursing center is widely praised

Two hundred women nursing students moved into their new quarters, The Bronx Community College Nursing Center, School and Residence, on September 21, 1964.

Facilities for BCC's remaining 112 male nursing students are expected to be ready by next year. The thirteen story building, located in the complex of the Bronx Municipal Hospital Center on Eastchester Road and Pelham Parkway, has dormitories, classrooms, and recreational facilities.

Students at the new center are extremely pleased with the building. The most often heard remark is, "The labs are large, the classrooms are beautiful, and there are numerous recreational facilities. There is a large library, a swimming pool, a beautiful cafeteria, and large well planned lounges."

Students in the Nursing Curriculum have their choice of numerous fields of specialization including pediatrics, obstetrics, and psychiatric nursing. One of the male nursing students, Robert Anderson, is preparing for work in the field of anaesthesiology.

With the opening of the new center, Bronx Community College nursing facilities rank among the finest in the country. In an interview with *The Communicator*, Morris Meister, President of BCC stated: "At present, the center is only about 50% filled. By next year we plan to be operating at full capacity, making our center one of the best in the country."

Student reaction at the center is consistent: "We are very well pleased. There isn't much more that we could ask for."

15 Scholarships for 15 scholars

The Lucy Stone League of N. Y., honored fifteen BCC nursing students at a reception for scholarship recipients held at the Hospital for Special Surgery on November 14.

The BCC students who received financial grants from the Helen Sugar Scholarship Fund of the Lucy Stone League were: Mrs. Teresa Brees; Miss Constance Capobianco; Miss Olivia Collins; Miss Joan Crute; Mrs. Bettye Cuvilje; Miss Mary Dermody; Mrs. Ayleen James; Mrs. Hazel Lammers; Miss Rosemary Monza; Mrs. Myrtle Pickett; Mrs. G. Savage; Miss Jean Shapiro; Miss Verna Stevenson; and Mrs. Minnie Westbrook.

In addition to these undergraduate awards, the League has continued its program for scholarships in the graduate field. Graduate awards have been given to the Smith College School for Social Work, Harvard School of Business Administration, University of Chicago Medical School, and Western Reserve University. The Lucy Stone League is a center for research and information on the status of women.

Bowker discusses problems

Dr. Albert Hosmer Bowker was formally inaugurated as Chancellor of the City University of New York by Gustave G. Rosenberg, chairman of the Board of Higher Education, on November 5, in the Great Hall of City College.

Chancellor Bowker's inaugural address was on the theme: A University Adapts To Its Environment. His talk was centered around a description of the progress being made in CUNY, and some of the problems that will arise in the coming year.

A prime purpose of a City University, according to Dr. Bowker, is to serve the city in which it exists. For New York, as a political and cultural center, "...the final curtain has been rung down on Horatio Alger's stage," must face the challenges of a new and different technological structure. Dr. Bowker felt that the CUNY was facing these challenges: "Our tremendous push on the community college front represents a major answer."

Another educational advance, aimed at aiding New Yorkers prepare for careers which demand more education, is the college discovery program. Chancellor Bowker announced that, "this program is in actual operation at Bronx Community College and Queensborough Community College; it is hoped to expand it to other units next year."

The City University is also looking forward to an increased graduate and doctoral program in the coming years. Dr. Bowker called for the facilities which would make the CUNY program among the finest in the nation: "Graduate work can be added with some additional staff, assistants, and equipment... this does not require additional funds."

Only a large educational system, such as CUNY, can best serve the city of New York. Dr. Bowker indicated in his speech that the

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Dr. Albert Homer Bowker
Inaugurated as Chancellor of
The City University of New
York, Nov. 5, 1964.

Berger announces plans for re-election

In an exclusive interview with *The Communicator*, Barry Berger, Student Council president, candidly discussed the forthcoming elections, the council's relationship with the Young Dems, and other problems confronting Student Council this term.

"I've worked hard this year trying to give the Student Council the stability which I think it lacked in the past. But there are many things that still must be done to make Student Council a more efficient and effective voice of the student body. I'd like to run again for President, and try to finish the job."

Although Mr. Berger isn't introducing any bills changing the present election procedure, he does feel that some reforms are necessary. "At present a candidate can only spend the equivalent of \$25 on his campaign. This includes the cost of paper and many other materials which he may be able to get free. \$25 seems unrealistically low. As a possible candidate, however, I don't think I should be the one to introduce election reforms."

Mr. Berger announced that Mel Winters would be the new chairman of the elections committee. "This term we hope to get everyone's cooperation to ensure that election procedures are scrupulously adhered to."

Mr. Berger then discussed the alleged Young Dems "clique" within Student Council. "The Young Dems have the biggest and most active club in BCC. It is only natural that a large number of them have taken an interest in Student Government. Certainly, there is a Young Dem clique. But I feel cliques are good for Student Council. They help see to it that their club is adequately represented in council. If these students didn't do their share of the work, they

wouldn't be in Student Government in the first place."

The two main objectives of Mr. Berger's administration are to encourage greater freshman participation in Student Government and to persuade more of the student body to support this term's cul-



Barry Berger

... president of the Student Council, announced that he would run for re-election.

tural and social program. Mr. Berger feels that the high caliber of this term's cultural events: the ballet, the hootenanny, the opera, and the play, will bring prestige and honor to BCC. "Many people have worked very hard to bring these fine programs to the college. I hope that many students will attend these functions."

theme of "Professor King" is man's battle against time. Both plays will use little or no scenery.

Student and faculty are invited to see the production.

Two student plays make their debut

Two original one-act student plays will be presented by the Bronx Community College Drama Club at 12:30 in the auditorium on December 10.

One of the plays, "Losers Weepers, Finders Keepers," written by Phillip Ansalone, was published in last spring's edition of *Gleanings*. Mr. Ansalone's play will be produced by Miss Emma Jackson. The play stars Mr. Charles Boyd, and Mr. Paul Adler.

The second play is entitled, "Professor King." It's a new play by Rita A. Varela, starring Robert Anderson, Gregory J. M. Portley, and Lorraine Chillemi. Lawrence H. Berlow will direct the play.

Both plays deal with universal problems of man. "Losers Weepers, Finders Keepers," deals with man's constant search for truth, for love, for the unknown. The

See the new look in political science

by Mike Kennedy

A new, exciting experimental aid for teaching government was initiated by the Social Science and Humanities Department—the use of films dealing with current events and the American political system.

These films present concrete illustrations of the abstract political theories discussed in the classroom. They attempt to reinforce the learning process while generating student interest in political science. The films are scheduled to coincide with the material covered in class.

The film idea originated with Prof. Moses Stambler and Mr.

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A Plea for Stability

It's difficult to evaluate one's own student government. Any evaluation, unfortunately, will be prejudiced by little mistakes and failures of the past. This is our school and we want perfection.

Yet with Student Council elections so near, we feel it our duty to evaluate, if not Student Council itself, then the criteria for electing Student Council members. We should all keep in mind that the coming election is a college election; not a club election, and not an immature, hysterical, cut-throat popularity contest. The primary criteria of a college election should be the amount of effort the candidate will make to learn how to be an effective leader.

Regrettably, many past Student Council officials thought that the only abilities necessary for being on Council were the ability to sling mud, the ability to get the right girlfriend, and the ability to give out potato chips.

Barry Berger seems to be different from this all too familiar and nauseating stereotype. Since he took office, Mr. Berger has done his best to cultivate the qualities of good leadership. He has not filled the executive positions with old friends, nor has he shirked his duty as president by acquiescing to petty pressure groups. In all his duties Mr. Berger has tried to be a strong, though fair and unemotional executive. It is to his credit that in a recent Student Council "crisis" his was one of the few calm, rational voices in the Executive Committee. His mature and sobering influence helped prevent the committee from taking rash action which would have resulted in a great deal of embarrassment for the Student Government.

We're not telling you to vote for Barry Berger. We're not even sure that we'll vote for him. But keep this in mind: We need people in Student Government who are sensible objective and willing to learn. Listen to the candidates critically and unprejudicially. Look for honesty, integrity, and stability. (And if you can't find these, perhaps it's time for YOU to run for office.)

Your Sounding Board

The editorial in the October issue of the *Communicator*, "A Closer Look at Student Govt.," generated more student response than any other editorial ever published by the *Communicator*. Although we don't condone controversy for its own sake, may we suggest that the immediate and vigorous response indicates that some controversy was long overdue.

We wish to thank those of you who've taken the trouble to write to us. We hope that Forum 7 continues to be a place for students to freely express their ideas. But we need your help and initiative. This is your paper; this is your college; this is your chance to share your views with the student body.

We are printing all of the letters we've received. They were edited only where time did not permit the printing of the entire letter. The *Communicator* will print all reasonable and pertinent letters to the editor, reserving the right to edit wherever necessary in the interest of space.

All letters sent to "Forum 7" must be signed.
The editors will withhold names upon request.

Forum 7: Voice of the People

Not defined

Have you made note of the fact that our present Student Government has accomplished feats that no other Bronx Community College Government has ever done? We have had the most successful Freshman Dance. We also planned, designed, and built a float, and participated in The Bronx Golden Jubilee Parade. In addition, we won a prize in that parade for the most novel unit in it.

I feel the editorial in the October 24 issue of *The Communicator* is one that is not defined. When making statements about the Student Government, please state what year of the Government you are talking about. It is my opinion that students reading *The Communicator* may interpret the editorial as being one directed at our current term of office. If this editorial is directed at our present administration, I think you should be more explicit in reference to names, instances, and issues.

Mel Winter
Co-Chairman, Social Committee
Student Council

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Ten bucks

"A Closer Look at Student Gov't" you called it. I wonder how how close you really looked. You spoke about the Student Government being "bogged down" of "petty rivalries" and of "conspiracy." If these are the things you saw, I am sure you did not look too closely. Everything the Student Government has tried [sic] to do so far this year has been a success. Are the Freshman Social, the Freshman Orientation, the Big Brother, the Cultural Events Season Tickets, and the Bx. Jubilee [sic] Day float the results of a "bogged down" Student Government? Are the upcoming bowling

tournament, the mock U.N. and the Young Democrat's [sic] Washington trip examples of "chaos" and "confusion." No these are examples of the progress and the achievements we have made and will continue to make. Surely, at times there may have been some confusion, but only the confusion of a new Council assuming its position and getting organized. This is only natural, and to be expected.

Let me quote you, "In the Past political appointments have been made solely on the basis of friendship, (or fear), with no regard for ability." You are not clear in the usage of the word "past." Do you mean last year? If so why don't you say so? (On the same page President Meister used the phrase, referring to college newspapers, "your clear voice.") You really should be more explicit.

In the event that you do mean last month, let me say this. My appointment was not made through friendship. You can ask anybody, who really knows. They will tell you that I hardly knew Mr. Berger last year. Concerning this last part, "with no regard for ability" I take personal insult. I defy anybody to specifically state to me where I have not done my job efficiently and correctly. I defy anybody to do a better job than I am doing. Let me suggest this to you: In the future, if you have any criticisms to make be more specific... Give names and dates. Don't just drop insinuations [sic] like you do. Say what you have to say and say it clearly.

I hope that many students will follow your advice and come into room 5-22 to find out where their \$10.00 is going. I really do hope that they do because we have nothing to hide.

David Gimpelson,
Treasurer, Student Council

Group dynamics

Congratulations on your successful attempt to publish a High School Newspaper. Next time try publishing a College Newspaper. You might take a look at C.C.N.Y. Observation Post or Campus, or Hunter Arrow, or any other CCNY newspaper. [sic]

Mel Winter Barbara Ouziel
Gail Simon Dave Gimpelson
Ricki Metz Steven Ornstein
Howard Scholeck Steven Simon

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Poor taste

I feel that the editorial referring to Student Government in the October issue of *The Communicator* is in extremely poor taste. The facts are distorted, issues are discussed with terribly vague references, and the tone is derogatory to the whole Student Government.

Part of the process of our democratic procedure in Student Government is discussing problems over and over and getting out a majority vote on them. Naturally, there are times when we all do not agree. This democratic procedure is what I assume the editor refers to as "petty rivalries and sophomoric proxy fights." I would like to point out that our "bogged down" Student Government has, in the short span of this term, sponsored one of the most successful dances in school history, won the prize for the most novel idea in the BRONX 50TH ANNIVERSARY DAY PARADE, and sponsored at least three cultural events for our school for this term.

It is a pity that past Student Governments are not here to defend themselves against these general slanders, but, we can speak for ourselves. I know that this year's Student Government is being run properly to the best of our ability in good faith and with good intentions. Of course, we always welcome constructive criticism but, the above mentioned editorial is in no way constructive, in fact, it is completely negative.

Merri Cherwin
Corresponding Secretary
Student Council

House cleaning

Please try cleaning your own house (file cabinets) before attempting to clean somebody else's. [sic]

Howard Scholeck
Chairman of Social Committee

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Who rates?

Why are the best seats for all cultural events reserved for members of the faculty and members of the student government?

This is an outrage to the students who do not hold such lordly positions. To the "Joe Slobs" who wait on line to get tickets, and find themselves spending good money to peer over the heads of the more prominent members of student government, their friends, and their family.

To the best of my knowledge, BCC is the only school in which student government personnel, who are responsible for the sale of tickets, and at the same time reserve large blocks of the choice seats for themselves and their friends.

Surely, a better system can be found; one in which all students will have an equal chance to purchase these tickets on a first-come, first-served basis.

Anirate Student

Enlightenment: Now or Never

The students of Bronx Community College do a great disservice to their own intellectual development when they fail to take advantage of the cultural programs offered by the school. The Faculty Cultural Committee worked very hard last year to arrange for the presentation of a ballet, an opera, and a play that year. The Student Council Social Committee spent many hours trying to arrange the Bikel-Collins Hootenanny. \$5300 was appropriated for the four events. But the time, effort, and money that went into this cultural program doesn't matter that much. What matters is you.

You have two or four years to devote exclusively to yourself; to your mind, to your soul, to whatever part of your anatomy constitutes the you. The college years are yours to experiment with, to taste life with, to seek enlightenment. They're your years, but they're short. A day becomes eternity at the stroke of midnight. What did you do on the night of the ballet? Was it worth a hunk of eternity?

There remain two big events this season; an opera, and a play. We're not telling you to attend because these functions will be good for you. We're not telling you to attend. We merely want you to think about what you do on Friday nights. There are 52 Friday nights a year. How many of them do you waste? It's no crime to waste an evening; but it is rather stupid to keep on wasting them in the same way. Can you afford to miss a new type of experience?

No one will mark you absent if you don't attend the Hootenanny, the opera, or the play. If we make a poor showing at the functions the embarrassment won't last forever. But your absence will be compounded. If you miss an event that might have moved your emotional being; your absence will be compounded by all of the hootennays, operas, and plays that you won't attend. This is the time to learn to assess what is good and what is mediocre, not twenty years from now.

Forum 7 — continued

Brief response

To begin with, let me point out that I am in full agreement with President Meister in regard to what the function of a college newspaper should be. A college newspaper should, indeed, represent the voice of the students. It is, however, a pity that, at this time, we are dealing with a publication which, in my opinion, would not even satisfy the lower elements of a third rate high school.

Firstly, the results of a primary election for a seat in the United States House of Representatives, is not really relevant to students in our college, as very few of them are of voting age. In addition, this election was covered in all of the city newspapers this past June. Perhaps the article in question might have fit into our "college" newspaper if the small italicized message at its end (referring to the B.C.C. Young Democrats), had been included in its body. But, we can't cry over spilled milk!

Secondly, I am left with the impression that a member of your staff (Xanadu by name) did so well in his SML-1 course, that he believes we should think about all in life as Professor Richardson, editor of the text for that course, would have us study for a math exam; that is—life is just one big, happy postulate. But, we must admit that this writer's personal views about the *Daily News*, former Premier Khrushchev, the requirements for and worthwhileness of citizenship in this country, integration, and religion, are of such great consequence, that not only should students and faculty members of this college read them, but so should the students and faculty members of other colleges with whom we exchange news papers.

Finally, it might be nice if some of the space used to house the above mentioned "news" was used to convey things of minor importance—such as faculty changes, new departments, the new Director of Student Activities, new college facilities, and the new Big Brother-Sister Program. (Things which the students might like to glance over.)

But, earnestly, we must admit that the attempts to fill all four pages of *The Communicator* were more than successful. Save a few editorialized news articles, some misplaced and overlooked stories, and the usual number of grammar and spelling errors (sometimes referred to as "proofreading errors"), I am sure that the student body was more than satisfied with the quality of its "college" newspaper.

Now, let me express my views on your "moving" editorial. It was, as a resident of Greenwich Village might phrase it, "a blast." I am sure that you would have little or no difficulty in substantiating any and all of the charges you made about the people who are housed in Room 5-22, and are under the administration of some unidentified leader, during an undefined period. To say the least, the masterpiece of muckraking was a bit vague.

We must remember that the editor of a "college" newspaper should not only be objective, but also specific. Smear if you must—but smear something that you are willing to put your finger on.

At this time I might mention that as a student who has actively participated in all of the major ventures between student council and the student body, I am left with the impression that the stu-

dents are pretty much contented with their student council. Activities such as the Freshman Social, the Big Brother-Sister Program, and the Pocket Billiard Tournament, all of which have been planned by council, have been heartily received by the students. Regardless of what unsupportable charges you wish to make against the present student council B.M.O.C., you will have to admit that they are getting the job done—and done well.

I feel that it is your obligation, as both a journalist and a member of the student body, to print a retraction and apology for the editorial in question, and the trash and allegations included in it.

In your editorial you urge the students to go up to Room 5-22 and find out what they are getting for their "ten bucks." Remember, your publication receives quite a large appropriation from the Bronx Community College Association, Inc. Without these funds *The Communicator* could not be printed. Do you feel that you are giving the students their money's worth? I surely don't.

Stephen Jay Minsky

Ed. Note: The college does not have a "new Director of Student Activities." Dean Thompson was and still is the Director of Student Activities.

Another short one

I appreciate the valiant effort, that you have put forth, to rid our school government of its petty rivalries. It takes great courage to stand up against the student council at the cost of being "black-listed" and exiled from the "society of snobs." I'm sure that certain "B.M.O.C.'s" will send a rigid protest, sarcastic toward your power of the press, and so I have decided, as an independent student, to add to what you have printed, to eliminate the possible charge that you were vague.

A very high official of Student Government has suddenly fallen upon great dreams of grandeur. he has openly mentioned, on several occasions, how he controls a "fifteen thousand dollar budget" which he intends to use, obviously, for the furthering of his own interests. He told me that "some of these clubs don't realize how much power I have. I can stop any of their bills at any time."

Besides this, I'm sure that they will deny the awarding of positions because of "friendship of fear." I am certain of the occurrence of an incident in which the same high official made bargains to trade Student Government offices, for a club vice-presidency and posts in a certain state-wide organization. When the president of the club, had the political courage to decide that he would not be taken in by this "power-play," and the student "leader" put up such a tantrum and yelled such threats, that he was called "power mad" by a few of those present. This sort of conduct is certainly reproachable.

Also, the Student Council office, the "Mecca" of the power elite, has developed into a "social" club-room. An unusually high number of "secretaries" have been found, taking "dictation" on the laps of certain B.M.O.C.'s. This may seem childish, and it is. Therefore, we don't need children to run our government. If this is how our leaders behave when we trust them with representing us, let us pray!

Though the politics of this school is "child's-play" people can be

seriously hurt, if they do not go club refused to give the council member that vice-presidency, the along with the "ins." As we know, "children" are very cruel because they do not know better. The irregular deals and political schemes that were perpetrated during the last election campaign show this very well. There were several instances of lying concerning campaign expenses, by one of the school tickets.

I am willing to back up all that I say, and I will be willing to communicate with all B.M.O.C.'s through your valiant publication. I will use my pen name, the undersigned label of the famous Roman reformer, a martyr to the cause of justice.

Please, for our school, community, and country, keep up the good work. God bless you.

"Tiberius Gracchus"

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Good reading

I enjoyed reading your columns "Prometheus Unwound: The Bookcase," and "Voice of Xanadu."

Morris Meister
President

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The flicks

The Student Council is to be congratulated for arranging moving pictures showings. Such a film festival idea is excellent. But why in the name of Beelzebub are second run neighborhood movies (Variety would call these nab flicks) and Late, Late (even Later perhaps) Show items made the core of the program. Eric Bentley points out in his recent Dramatic Literature analysis, *THE LIFE OF THE DRAMA*, that soap opera and drama do not differ greatly. "Great narrative is not the opposite of cheap narrative: it is soap opera plus." The plus is missing from the BCC student film program. There is no valid reason for this. There exists a whole world of great silent films which are not costly to show, which generally have not been seen by two generations of students, and which generally have been forgotten by three generations of faculty. Why look at the ever-present neighborhood around you? Why not explore the nearly-lost world of yesteryear? The commonly familiar is never interesting as the extraordinarily unfamiliar.

Tom Ratcliffe
English Dept.

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Hope

Congratulations on the first issue of *The Communicator*.

I know how much arduous planning and effort went into it, especially since you were a new editor with a new staff. I know, too, that you started your work last June and continued during the summer.

Probably future issues will improve from experience and from the criticism that has come your way, some of it unmerited. But I am sure you plan to do better in style, proofreading, spelling of names, and accuracy.

There is always the possibility of ambiguity and misinterpretation of the light touch, but I think the overall effect is good, and I admire your courage in moving in many new areas and directions.

I am sure you will grow in editorial skills to aid the accomplishments and the usefulness of a fine student newspaper.

Abraham Tauber
Dean of Faculty

Voice of Xanadu:

ON LOVE

by Lawrence H. Berlow

Perhaps the most abstract term in the English language is the word love. The dictionary gives no aid; it merely lists half-hearted watered down synonyms for liking. I spent many hours, recently, trying to define the word. I concluded that it cannot be stated explicitly, but can only be conceptualized. Love is different for every man and woman who walks the earth.

Children are often the most truthful people we can find. In them we often see the beginnings of a true feeling for mankind, which is perhaps the essence of all love.

A six year old boy recently asked: "Why are grownups trying to kill each other in this place called Vietnam? Grownups are good, aren't they?" There is no way that I or anyone else can answer him, although his question cries out for a response. The closest we can come is to say that grownups really do love each other, and do try to be good, but sometimes get themselves into situations where they are forced to be mean and vicious. Don't ever lose your love for mankind, Douglas; it's your most valuable possession. Your love of people may someday prevent grownups from killing each other, here in America, and in faroff places like Vietnam.

There were no strings attached when a little two year old girl kissed me the other day. Certainly she doesn't love me; she loves all the people she knows who are good to her. Her love of people is expressed in a blanket emotion, and she has no qualms about showing it. What a pity that she's going to grow up.

In the past six months, a very wonderful young lady has taught me, by example, that not all people throw bombs into churches and beat up old ladies. There may come a time when this woman will love a particular man. She has given me the warm feeling that the whole world is to be loved; no exceptions allowed. This is, I admit, a childish concept. But if it takes a childish idea to bring men together in a brotherhood of love, true love, I stand ready to wave the banner of Peter Pan over the world.

Love is the strongest thing there is, and true love demands nothing in return. "Love is sufficient unto love," and its harvest is the realization that it will bring happiness to the one loved.

Finally, a mature love indicates loyalty—loyalty to every man and woman we meet, and special loyalty to our friends. To me, to the pure mind of a child, and, I believe, to the mind of God, the word friend is synonymous with love. It is not to be used with ease.

Loyalty, love, and friendship occasionally involve a contradiction of principle; whether to be first loyal to oneself or to one's friends. Whatever choice we make, it's bound to be the right one. In considering love, we come across the one time that the means justify the ends; the warmth of truth inherent in love, and the blazing purity of a man's love for his fellows.

Prometheus Unwound: Ditt-o data

By Rita A. Varela

The Business Office spends \$4,871 a year on azograph materials, photo offset supplies, mimeograph paper, stencils, and bobby pins to keep the duplicators duplicating. And every day at least one teacher is handing out a couple of ditt-o goodies to a bunch of frenzied ink-sniffers.

It's hard to picture a ditt-odataless society. The new academic freedom of a world without syllabi would be enough to kill half of the teachers in America; but the agony of trying to decipher teacher's handwriting would kill off half the students in America. All's well that dies well.

We'd have no mimeo-ed biblio's; and probably fewer college snobs, not to be confused with the intellectual snob or the social snob. The college snob won't read anything that isn't listed in the bibliography. The intellectual snob won't read anything that is on the bibliography. The social snob checks with *Time Magazine*. Confused kiddies? Good! That's what you're in college for.

The duplicating machine has committed the crime of all crimes: the rape of creative discovery. Bibliographies are long lists of good safe books that have stood the test of time, like man and warts. It simply takes too much time and trouble to mimeograph something that isn't of proven value.

But, what is a proven value? No one seems to know, not even the people who make up the bib-

liography. The term is abstract, subjective, and arbitrary. Unfortunately, the bibliographies are concrete, physical objects. You can touch them, and you can select books and topics with them. You go into the library with your trust-worthy biblio in your grubby little paw and find the skinniest book on the list. It might be skinny, but it's a good book. It's on the list. Thousands of high school freshmen have tumbled into *The Old Man and the Sea*, using the good-and-little technique.

The irony of the biblio system is that it ultimately backfires on the teacher. After giving out thirty bibliographies and thirty mimeographed lists of suggested topics, the teacher impotently stands in front of the class demanding originality. Forget it.

The most frightening aspect of this mimeo madness is that mimeograph students go on to Hunter and become mimeographed teachers. I can just see a peach fuzz professor handing out an Azo outline of psycho-sexual development and saying, "If there are no questions we can move on to the basic causes of schizophrenia."

Computers, cobalt rays, synchrotrons, and IEEE

The Bronx Community College branch of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers sponsored a field trip to the Brookhaven National Laboratory on October 30 for forty IEEE members and physics students.

The students visited exhibits which emphasized recent techniques and advances in electrical computer technology, biology, chemistry, physics, and nuclear science. The group was especially interested in the remote controls used in radiation laboratories, and the Cerenkov radiation emanating from radioactive cobalt. The cobalt gave off a weird blue-green glow.

The students were told of the great demand for nuclear and electronic technicians, a need far greater than the demand for engineers. An important new field, health physics, also requires extensive knowledge of electronic instrumentation.

After leaving the National Laboratory the group toured Brookhaven. They visited the Graphite Research Reactor, the High Flux Beam Reactor, the High Intensity Radiation Development Laboratory, the Alternating Gradient

Synchrotron, and the Computer Center.

Dr. Alexander Joseph, Head of the Physics Department, helped arrange the Brookhaven field trip. Dr. Ernest A. Sharo, of the Physics Department, and Prof. Stella Lawrence, of the Department of Engineering Technologies, accompanied the students on the Brookhaven trip.

The IEEE is planning other field trips this semester. The group will tour the new Con Edison generating station in Ravenswood, N. Y. Con Edison guides will escort IEEE members through the plant. IEEE also plans a trip to the RCA Research Laboratory in Princeton, N. J.

Political science films

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Arthur Galub, members of the Social Science Department. They were impressed by the quantity and quality of educational material produced by television news departments. Both Prof. Stambler and Mr. Norman Bindler use the films in conjunction with their government courses. (Mr. Galub is on a leave of absence this semester completing work on his doctorate dissertation.)

Prof. Stambler pointed out that there were some problems connected with this program. The first was whether or not to make the films compulsory. Many students have classes all day Wednesday, the day the films are shown. Other students have jobs. There is also a question of when to show the films. Mr. G. Leonard Brooks, technical assistant, has tried to find the best hours to schedule the films.

Despite these problems the initial response to the new program was overwhelming. Although there were only two hundred students registered in government courses, over three hundred students have viewed the films each Wednesday.

Some of the films shown are: *The Making of the President, Who Do You Kill?* first on the program, *East Side, West Side, The Crisis of Presidential Succession*, and *The Other Face of Dixie*. The vast amount of research and technical resources available to the television industry made the production of these documentaries possible.

The Social Science Department may expand the film program next semester. If the success of the program continues, other departments may follow suit.

Night Lights

The evening students have come out with a new publication, *The Evening Reporter*. The *Reporter* is replacing the old *Evening Session Newsletter* which was published periodically by the night contingent of the student body. We welcome the *Reporter* to the family of BCC student publications, and we say "Well done" to the

Evening Session Newsletter which now becomes part of our history.

This is another step which demonstrates our solidarity, the ONE COLLEGE concept. BCC is ONE college—consisting of day classes and evening classes. The *Day Student Newsletter* serves the daytime students; and *Evening Reporter* serves the evening crews, and *The Communicator* serves all students.

Bikel Talks Of Audiences, Civil Rights, and Movies

by Ira Grann

Theodore Bikel and Judy Collins, two of the nation's foremost folksingers, appeared at Bronx Community College on November 14.

After this record breaking performance Mr. Bikel spoke with members of the Student Council and *The Communicator* staff. When asked what kind of audience he preferred to perform for, he replied, "A college audience, because they are the audience of tomorrow, and they are 'hipper'." We asked Mr. Bikel whether he liked the "Audience of tomorrow" because they present the money of tomorrow. To this he responded, "I only need money to be able to turn down garbage, or in other words, if a bad script comes up, I can afford to turn it down."

Mr. Bikel is deeply committed to the struggle for civil rights. He will "continue to fight for these rights along with people like Bob Dylan, Joan Baez and Tom Paxton." His stand on civil rights has won him great popularity in the North and West, and great notoriety in the South.

Theodore Bikel is known for the range and variety of his songs. Singing in 20 languages, he is able to present a great number of traditional songs, be it an old English broadside ballad or a Russian dance tune.

Miss Collins' repertoire includes many traditional works, and a great number of new songs by Bob Dylan and Tom Paxton.

Both Mr. Bikel and Miss Collins appeared several times on the now defunct television show, *Hootenanny*. Accompanying himself with a guitar, and at times, with a harmonica, Mr. Bikel is one of the most popular folksingers in America. His popularity, due in part to his fame as an actor, has helped bring folksinging to a much larger audience than might otherwise be possible. Miss Collins is among the contemporary folksingers who do not disparage the work being done by new songwriters: "...that area has a great deal of meaning for me."

Mr. Bikel appears in the movie version of "My Fair Lady." He also plans to continue his fight for civil rights and to do a lot more singing.

The works at the workshop

by Evan Reilly

The John F. Kennedy Human Relations Society, in conjunction with Student Council, held a Leadership Workshop at the New York Herald Tribune Fresh Air Camp in Fishkill, N. Y., on the weekend of October 9.

The purpose of the Workshop, according to Miss Marion Stringham, was "...to help the individual become more sensitive to his own motivations and the motivations of the people around him... to help him better understand the interaction of people within a group."

Miss Stringham, of the Department of Student Personnel, is the faculty advisor of the J. F. K. Human Relations Society. She, along with Mr. Dan Skillin, professor of psychology at Paterson State College and lecturer in the Evening Session, and other members of the Society had been planning this Leadership Workshop since last semester. In preparing for the workshop, several of the members took courses in group dynamics at the Baruch School for Social Research in preparation for the workshop.

The weekend included diagnostic sessions, skill sessions, and theory groups. The "D" groups, (diagnostic session) were aimed at better understanding the process of group interaction through group experience and analysis.

The skill sessions, through group participation and observation, provided an opportunity to develop the skills required for effective group operation. The theory sessions gave general explanations of the techniques used in the "D" groups and skill sessions.

Miss Stringham was the Director of the Leadership Weekend. The other faculty trainers included: Dean Clement Thompson and Mrs. Eleanor Harder, both of the BCC Student Personnel Department; Miss Betsy Davidson, co-ordinator of student activities at Newark State College; Mr. Jerome Gold, director of houseplan and of Leadership Training at City College; Mr. Julius Trubowits, psychologist at the Bureau of Child Guidance and a teacher at Queens College; and Mr. Dan Skillin.



HEAD SHRINKING PLUS — This picture was taken shortly before these athletic looking young men thawed out. It was cold in them thar Fishkills.



WHICH WAY TO THE... Off the bus, get the luggage, and don't get lost. The orders weren't easy to follow in the confusion of arrival, but hunger was an inducement to quick efficiency.



CALL ME MARION — Miss Stringham, director of the Leadership Weekend, read the rules: a) Be informal; b) Not that informal; c) Just try it.



DARLING, WHERE'S THE MUSTARD? — Barry Berger, President of the Student Council and a student trainer in the J. F. K. Society, had K.P. duty just like every one else — only he seems to be enjoying it.

Libel Suit of the Lilliputians

In a letter to President Meister dated October 29, 1964, Barry Berger, president of the Student Council, expressed the chagrin of the Executive Committee of Student Council over the editorial, "A Closer Look at Student Govt.," published in the October issue of *The Communicator*. Mr. Berger indicated in the letter that the editorial cast aspersions upon the integrity and motives of the present student government administration. Further, the letter informed President Meister that officers of the Student Council were having the matter examined by legal counsel and wished to take steps to bring a libel suit against the parties involved.

As a result of the editorial, a special session of the Executive Committee of the Student Council met on Wednesday, Oct. 29, to determine what action they should take in defense of student government.

Though *The Communicator* was not notified that the editorial would be discussed at the Executive meeting, Ira Grann, Chairman of the Student Council NEWSLETTER Committee and a member of *The Communicator* staff acted as unofficial spokesman for *The Communicator*. Mr. Grann tried to point out that the intent of the editorial was neither malicious nor derogatory, and that it was written with the hope of stimulating more students to take an active interest in their student government. He added that the editorial had been approved by the editorial board and *The Communicator's* faculty advisor.

There was general agreement among most of the committee members that the Student Court should be by-passed in favor of outside legal counsel. The Executive Committee did not discuss the matter of funds.

The day after the meeting, Mr. Berger sent his letter to President Meister. Copies were sent to Dr. Abraham Tauber, Dean of Faculty, and Dr. Clement Thompson, Dean of Students. No copy was sent to *The Communicator*.

The Communicator has never been officially informed by the Student Council Executive Committee that any action is being taken.

Dean Thompson called a meeting of representatives of *The Communicator* and of Student Council on Thursday, Oct. 29. Present at this meeting were Rita A. Varela, Editor-in-Chief of *The Communicator*; Lawrence H. Berlow, Assistant Editor; Barry Berger, president of the Student Council; Barbara Ouzel, vice-president; Prof. Minerva Chalapis, faculty advisor of *The Communicator*; and Dean Thompson.

In expressing the views of the Executive Committee, Mr. Berger said that the editorial was unfair and not based on fact. He felt that the editorial was bad for the esteem of the present student government. It was explained to Mr. Berger: that the editorial was not necessarily criticizing the present administration, that it was a general criticism of past irregularities, and that "the past" was frequently and clearly referred to throughout the editorial.

Miss Chalapis pointed out that the editorial was written weeks before publication and couldn't possibly have been intended to maliciously criticize the present administration since they hadn't yet begun to operate. She indicated that freedom of the press was at stake, and that an independent newspaper has a responsibility and a right to criticize honestly and fairly, events and actions of the community.

"I saw the editorial when it was first written, and although I wasn't enthusiastic about some of the style, I felt that it was a sincere attempt to criticize a serious college problem: lack of interest in student government. Since the editorial did not violate any regulation set down by the Student Publications Policy of the College or of the Board of Higher Education, I felt that the staff had the right to publish their opinion regardless of the sentiments that I or others might have," declared the faculty advisor.

Mr. Berger commented, "We're not trying to interfere with the freedom of the press. I recognize their right to criticize Student Council whenever they feel criticism is justified. But I feel that a newspaper also has a responsibility to be fair and factual. I don't feel that the paper presented the present council in the proper light."

Dean Thompson discussed the reaction of the Student Council to the editorial. He asked if their reaction wasn't too emotional and immature. Miss Varela, also a distressed at the reaction of the leaders in the student government, said, "From the reports I've heard of yesterday's executive meeting, it seems as if they were organizing a witch-hunt instead of discussing an editorial in a college paper. I don't think the attitude of the people at the Executive Committee was healthy for the Student Council or for our college."

Although Dean Thompson didn't think that the Student Council had a legal case with which to bring a libel suit, Mr. Berger insisted that it was his duty to carry out the mandate of the Executive Committee. "I have nothing against Miss Varela personally. But I must consider the wishes of the people on Council."

On Friday, Oct. 30, the Executive Committee voted to table the discussion of the libel suit. On Wednesday, Nov. 4, eight days after the editorial first appeared, the committee decided not to take any official action until all alternatives were fully investigated.

Business views fashion news

by Joe Tinari

Thirty-six retailing students attended a breakfast and musical fashion show sponsored by the National Association of Men's Sportswear Buyer's and Sports Illustrated magazine, at the new Hilton Hotel on October 20.

After an early continental breakfast at the Hilton, the retailing students watched "Close Up '65," a fashion show set to music. With songs, dances and humor, the show presented the latest news in spring fashions.

The students were accompanied by Prof. Benjamin J. Cutler and Prof. Robert Kissel, members of the Department of Business and Commerce. Later, the BCC group visited the New York Trade Show building to review the new spring lines put out by over three hundred sportswear, furniture, and clothing manufacturers.



PEPSI ANYONE?
Young BCC retailing students practiced being amateur executives at the Hilton.

SG Elections

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Maria Alba and Ramon de los Reyes during their excellent performance at BCC on Oct.

System Criticized

The American educational system must be reformed to meet the challenge of a changing society, according to Whitney Young, in his address to the 1964 Teacher Education Conference held on Friday, November 6 in the Gillet Hall Auditorium of Hunter College, in the Bronx. Among the educators present at the conference was Abraham Tauber, Dean of Faculty.

Whitney Young, the Executive Director of the National Urban League, delivered the keynote on the conference theme, "Schools for a Society in Transformation." In his address Mr. Young spoke of the challenges posed by the growing population boom, the urban revolution, the racial revolution, and the industrial revolution.

"Our educational system," he protested, "must be retooled to meet these challenges so that every child, whether he lives in slum or suburb, can have the same opportunity to win a scholarship to Harvard or Oxford."

"If doctors treated the sick the way educators treat children, the greenest interns would perform the most delicate surgery and the most skilled surgeons would be sent out to treat the common cold."

"But this is education in America today—where the best schools, the best books, the best brains of the teaching profession are concentrated in the best neighborhoods, and the least qualified instructors are left to teach in the rundown, obsolete warehouses where the dropout rate is infinitely higher than the rate of those who receive diplomas."

Both within and outside the social work profession, Mr. Young has vigorously pursued the cause of civil rights. He was one of the ten leaders responsible for the march on Washington in August, 1963.

In announcing the conference, Dr. Harold Full, professor of education at Queens College and chairman of the conference, said, "The unique aspect of change in our society is its rapidity... Since schools do not operate in a vacuum and are influenced by our society, they cannot be removed from the radical changes going on."

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Gerry's Gym

By Gerry Gianutsos

Last year BCC had a basketball team. They were highly successful and it was hoped that this year they would be an intercollegiate team.

Instead, BCC may not have basketball at all. Numerous petitions have been circulated throughout the school calling for the formation of a team, but student interest is not enough. There are other problems to be solved.

For one thing, the team needs a place to play. BCC's gym is unavailable because it is used for classes from 8:00 AM until 8:45 PM. This problem can possibly be solved by using the Nursing Center (and in fact Dean McGrath has written for permission), but there is still a more pressing problem; that of finding a faculty advisor or coach.

Last year's coaches are unavailable this year and, until now, nobody has expressed any interest. If no member of the faculty decides to take on the task, there can be no team.

Still another problem is that of academic eligibility. In order to be on a team, one must carry 12 credits and have a 2.00 index. This rule greatly limits the number of students eligible.

At a recent conference with President Meister and Dean McGrath, it was decided to attempt to re-form last year's basketball club. If the above problems are solved BCC will have a club; if not there will be no club. It is as simple as that. It is certainly hoped that there will be a club at BCC, since this is one of the rare occasions when the student body has expressed interest in a school function.

This lack of interest is apparent with BCC's other teams. Surely, one would think, a school with a student body of 6,000 could scrape up enough men to supply three teams. Apparently BCC can't.

The bowling team is a very good example. In a recent match against Queensborough Community College, BCC had only **FOUR** bowlers, and the situation is expected to get worse. Five bowlers are needed for a match. This situation is pathetic.

To make it even worse, the wrestling team is also hit by this apathy. Prof. Stuerman cannot find a wrestler to compete in the 157 and 167 pound classes. It would be ridiculous if BCC was forced to forfeit these two common weight classes in a match.

If this lack of support continues, BCC may be forced to drop bowling from the athletic program. Eventually, perhaps others may follow. **This must not be allowed to happen.**

Team Gets Into Swim of Things

BCC's Men's Swimming Team topped Hunter College's freshman team 51-24 in their initial meet of the season, held on November 6.

BCC took a quick 7-0 lead by capturing the 200 yard medley relay and coasted the rest of the way. Other BCC victories were gained in the 50 yard freestyle, 100 yard butterfly, 100 yard breaststroke, 100 yard freestyle, and the 200 yard freestyle relay.

The events and BCC's finishes:

200 yd. Medley relay—1. (Altneu, Capers, Thomas, Graber) 2:03.4.

200 yd. Freestyle—2. Bob Shann, 3. Stu Wolk.
50 yd. Freestyle—1. John Evans, 2. Jim Bula. 27.7 secs.
200 yd. Ind. Medley—2. Al Lastcer.
100 yd. Butterfly—1. Jack Thomas. 1:14.
100 yd. Backstroke—2. Ron Altneu, 3. Marv Scherb.
100 yd. Breaststroke—1. Cal Capers, 2. Chris Marcin. 1:17.9.
200 yd. Freestyle Relay—1. (Cifuni, Lastcer, Evans, Graber) 1:54.8.
100 yd. Freestyle—1. Mike Cifuni. 1:07.7.

Space Cuts Intramurals

Bronx Community College's intramural sports program got off to a faltering start Thursday, Oct. 8, because it is greatly hindered by a lack of facilities. This is not due to any lack of effort on the part of the school administration, or the athletic staff to earnestly improve BCC's sports program, but rather, a lack of space.

There has been a large increase in the number of students attending BCC in the past two years and therefore, there are twice as many students taking gym courses. These students are using the same facilities that inadequately housed half their number several terms ago. The athletic staff is forced to hold classes from 8:00 A.M. to 8:45 P.M., Monday through Friday, and to hold intramurals on Thursdays from 12 to 2.

The administration is trying to aim the intramural program to-

wards the benefit of the majority of students. This limits the program to sports in which everyone can play and therefore must discount the spectator sports in which a high degree of proficiency is needed to participate. Two sports, badminton and volleyball, were chosen so that the gym could be divided in two sections, accommodating more students.

There are two areas of the intramural program which present no problem. BCC has a fine swimming pool and quite a few students have taken advantage of this facility. It is hoped that this interest will help BCC in forming a strong intercollegiate swimming team. The women's intramural bowling team is also off to a running start. The team can use any bowling alley which is convenient to them and they will be able to get reduced rates for their games.

Bowling Team Begins Term

The Bowling Team opened the 1964-65 athletic season on October 24 with a 2-2 tie with Rockland Community College. The match was held on the Oxford Lanes, BCC's home lanes.

BCC picked up the first point in the match against last year's league runnersup, by winning the first game 810-738. This margin was enough to carry BCC to a total score victory of 2,402-2,378 and their second point. Rockland picked up their points by winning the second and third games.

High series honors went to Richie Manzolina who rolled a 538, highlighted by the high game of 195.

The bowlers were somewhat less successful the following week in a match against Nassau Community College. BCC was beaten 4-0 in that match. Richie Manzolina again had BCC's high series with a 516.

Other members of the team are: Captain Stan Rosenberg (the lone returning bowler from last year's team), Joe Tanenbaum, Steve Smith, and Marc Mayer.

SUMMATION

BCC (2)				
Smith	144	173	132	449
Tanenbaum	190	140	168	498
Mayer	141	153	147	441
Rosenburg	146	179	151	476
Manzolina	189	154	195	538
Totals	810	719	793	2,402

RCC (2)				
Greenberg	142	182	179	503
Stern	138	175	169	482
Herman	134	126	125	385
Roth	152	164	167	483
Parker	172	163	190	525
Totals	738	810	830	2,378

BCC (0)				
Tanenbaum	186	152	151	489
Smith	149	165	160	474
Mayer	127	157	148	474
Rosenberg	159	162	192	513
Manzolina	220	147	149	516
Totals	841	783	800	2,324

NCC (4)				
Leek	171	147	121	439
Baker	147	179	180	506
Olson	198	179	165	542
Klein	186	171	195	552
Metzendorf	171	213	212	596
Totals	873	889	873	2,635

WOMEN'S BOWLING INTRAMURAL CLUB

Dec. 10, 1:00 P.M.

Gym Balcony

Bruisers Begin

The Wrestling Team opened its season on December 1 with a non-league match against Hunter College.

Making up the nucleus of the team will be the three returning veterans from last year's team. They are: Bob Haas (123 lb. class), Charles Molnar (137), and Gary Brookshire (177).

Among the most impressive newcomers on the team are: Jose Rendon, Julius Heisler, Barry Malamad, Angel Resto, George Bacall, Gene Tappen, and Jim Walsh.

At the time of this writing there is no one to wrestle in the 157 and 167 pound weight classes.

Award Winning Cyclist at BCC



Unknown to many members of the college, BCC has an outstanding amateur athlete. Who? Mike Caggiano, a top amateur cyclist who has won many honors and trophies for his skill.

Most notable among Mike's accomplishments was his success at the National College Championships held in New Haven, Connecticut last spring. In the 50-mile roadrace, Mike finished second

against some of the best collegiate cyclists in the country, but even more amazing was the fact that he finished fourth as a team from BCC.

Another major meet in which Mike competed was the Olympic trials held in Central Park during the Labor Day weekend. Mike entered the 112-mile roadrace and finished twelfth in a field of more than 130.

Most recently, in October of this year, Mike entered the Nationals and finished fourth, and at Princeton wound up third in another collegiate meet.

These results are most impressive as bare facts. But, when one realizes that Mike is younger than most of his opponents and that he has been training for little more than a year, his success seems even greater.

Mike trains up to 500 miles a week and plans to enter about six meets a year. Mike enjoys riding and says of his sport that it is one that "combines skill, speed (50 mph), stamina, strength, and most of all, intelligence."

If Mike continues to combine these aspects at his present rate, BCC may some day have a national cyclist champion.

Wrestling

The following additions have been made to the wrestling schedule which was printed last month:

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Jan. 29	Ulster County Comm. Coll.	Home	7:30
Feb. 19	Region XV Championships	Nassau Comm. Coll.	
to 20			
Mar. 4	NJCAA Championships	Worthington, Minn.	
to 6			

In addition, the following scrimmages have been arranged:

Nov. 16	N. Y. Institute for the Blind	Away
Nov. 20	West Side YMCA	Away
Dec. 16	NYU	Away

SWIMMING SCHEDULE 1964-5

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Nov. 6	Hunter College (Frosh)	Away	7:00
Nov. 13	Kings Point (Frosh)	Away	7:00
Nov. 20	Queens Point (Frosh)	Away	5:00
Nov. 27	City College (Frosh)	Away	10:00 a.m.
Dec. 11	NYU (Frosh)	Away	4:30

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